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Mr. Wayne Pierre, Team Leader Environmental Cleanup Office U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region X 1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, Washington 98101

Mr. Dean Nygard, Site Remediation Manager Idaho Department of Environmental Quality 1410 N. Hilton Boise, Idaho 83706

SUBJECT: Partial Achievement of Critical Decision 2/3 for the Glovebox Excavator Method Retrieval Demonstration – (EM-ER-02-061)

Dear Mr. Pierre and Mr. Nygard:

The enclosed letter and documents support partial documented achievement of Critical Decision (CD) 2/3 for the Glovebox Excavator Method Project.

The milestones established in the Pit 9 Dispute Resolution include the requirement to achieve CD 2/3 before August 30, 2002. We have divided the requirements for CD 2/3 into three groups to allow early procurement and site preparation. The Acquisition Executive has approved CD 3a. CD 3b will also precede CD 2. Completion of all requirements for CD 2/3 is ahead of schedule at this time.

Very truly yours,

Kathleen E. Hain, Manager

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Enclosure

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